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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

In re Patent Application of

Hans Linder et al.

Application No.: 10/070,720

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Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR INTERLOCKING

Group Art Unit: 2833

Examiner: RENEE S LUEBKE

Confirmation No.: 2846

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

| P.O | nmissioner for Patents . Box 1450 kandria, VA 22313-1450 | | | | | | |
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| Sir: | • | | | | | | |
| Enc | losed is a reply for the above-identified patent application. | | | | | | |
| × | A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed. | | | | | | |
| | Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\preceq\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$5.00 (2814) \$\preceq\$ | | | | | | |
| | Also enclosed is/are | | | | | | |
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| | Small entity status is hereby claimed. Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the □ \$395.00 (2801) □ \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). | | | | | | |
| | Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above. | | | | | | |
| | Applicant(s) previously submitted | | | | | | |
| | on | | | | | | |
| | Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. | | | | | | |
| | A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also | | | | | | |

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| X | No additional claim fee is required. |
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| | An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below. |

| | | A | MEN | DE | ED CLAIMS | | | |
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| | No. of Claims | Highes of Cla Previo Paid | aims ously | • | Extra Claims | | Rate | Additional Fee |
| Total Claims | 40 | MINUS | 38 | = | 2 | × | \$50.00 (1202) = | \$ 100.00 |
| Independent Claims | 4 | MINUS | 4 | = | 0 | × | \$200.00 (1201) = | \$ 0.00 |
| If Amendment adds n | nultiple depen | dent claim | s, add | d \$ | 360.00 (1203) | | | |
| Total Claim Amendment Fee | | | | | | \$ 100.00 | | |
| Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee | | | | | | \$ 0.00 | | |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | | \$ 100.00 | |

| \boxtimes | A check in the amount o | f <u>\$ 100.00</u> | _ is enclosed for the fee due. |
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| | Charge | to Deposit Acc | ount No. 02-4800. |
| | Charge | to credit card. | Form PTO-2038 is attached. |

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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